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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Applicants are in receipt of a Restriction Requirement mailed March 13, 2006, in which two allegedly distinct inventions were identified as follows:

Group I - Claims 1-35; and  
Group II - Claims 36-43.

In response, Applicants, through their representatives and attorneys, hereby elect Group II (e.g., Claims 36-43) without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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